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For: SELECTIVE ESTROGEN RECEPTOR MODULATORS IN COMBINATION WITH ESTROGENS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT/SUBMISSION

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the above-identified application.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed.

NO. CLAIMS AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA PRESENT	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
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AMENDMENTS

If checked, amendments to the specification and/or claims are submitted herewith.

1. If checked, an abstract is submitted as the last page of Appendix A.

2. Specification:

Please delete the paragraph(s)/section(s) beginning at page 25, lines 6-20 ; Table 8 beginning at pages 69-70 and replace such paragraph and Table pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(ii) with the "clean" version attached hereto as Appendix A. Entry is respectfully requested. A version with markings to show the changes made pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(iii) is attached hereto as Appendix B.